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TITLE: SUBSTANTIALLY NEUTRALLY BUOYANT AND POSITIVELY
BUOYANT ELECTRICALLY HEATED FLOWLINES FOR PRODUCTION
OF SUBSEA HYDROCARBONS

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1 October 3, 2005

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4 Commissioner for Patents

5 P.O. Box 1450

6 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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9 Dear Sir:

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11 This is in response to the Office Action mailed on June
12 3, 2005.

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14 Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner under
15 37 CFR 1.136(a) to grant a one-month extension of time for
16 the response to the Office Action mailed 6/3/2005.

17 Accordingly, with the one-month extension, the Response to
18 the Office Action dated 6/3/2005 may be made up until, and
19 including, the date of Monday, 10/3/2005. Payment is
20 provided in the amount of \$60 for this one-month extension.
21 Thank you.

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25 ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS ACCOMPANYING

26 THIS TRANSMITTAL LETTER:

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28 1. Transmittal Form PTO/SB/21

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30 2. Petition for Extension of Time Under

31 37 CFR 1.136(a) FY 2005 Form PTO/SB/22 and a copy

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2 Claims which begins on page 4 of this paper. The Remarks
3 begin on page 7 of this paper.
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